

1 designate a primary operator, the owner shall be deemed to be the primary operator of the
2 underground storage tank system for purposes of this Part.

3 (b) The primary operator shall designate one or more emergency response
4 operators. There shall be at least one emergency response operator at the site and at all
5 times during which a regulated substance is being withdrawn from, or is capable of being
6 withdrawn from, the underground storage tank system. For an unmanned facility, the
7 primary operator shall designate the person who is on-call to respond to emergencies or
8 alarms at the facility. The unmanned facility shall have an automated notification system
9 in place that will alert the designated emergency response operator of an emergency or
10 activated alarm at the facility. If the primary operator fails to designate one or more
11 emergency response operators, the primary operator shall be deemed to be the emergency
12 response operator of the underground storage tank system.

13 (c) A person may act as both the primary operator and the emergency response
14 operator of the underground storage tank system.

15 **"§ 143-215.94QQ. Training requirements for primary operators.**

16 (a) The Department shall develop and implement a training program for primary
17 operators. The training program shall provide instruction on the proper operation and
18 maintenance of the underground storage tank system at the facility, principles of
19 construction and safety, and all regulatory requirements associated with the underground
20 storage tank system. The training may consist of a combination of on-site evaluation and
21 testing, as well as in-class or online instruction and testing. At a minimum, the training
22 shall require the primary operator to demonstrate all of the following:

- 23 (1) Knowledge of the requirements for spill prevention, overfill
24 prevention, release detection, corrosion protection, emergency
25 response, and product compatibility.
- 26 (2) Site-specific knowledge of the equipment used at the facility and the
27 components of the underground storage tank system, and the methods
28 of release detection and release prevention applied to the underground
29 storage tank components.
- 30 (3) Knowledge of the requirements for demonstrating financial
31 responsibility.
- 32 (4) Understanding of notification requirements associated with the
33 underground storage tank system, and the requirements for reporting
34 releases and suspected releases.
- 35 (5) Understanding of the requirements for the temporary and permanent
36 closure of underground storage tank systems.
- 37 (6) Knowledge of the emergency response operator training requirements,
38 and the actions to be taken in response to emergencies and alarms.

39 (b) A primary operator shall be retrained if an inspection at the facility reveals
40 that the underground storage tank system is not in substantial compliance with the
41 requirements for: release detection, release prevention, financial responsibility,
42 emergency response, suspected release reporting and investigation, the proximity of the
43 underground storage tank system to water supply wells and surface water, and permitting.
44 A primary operator who is required to be retrained shall complete the retraining within a
45 reasonable time as determined by the Department. The retraining shall include training in
46 the areas for which the underground storage tank system was not in compliance.